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Expedited Procedure--Examining Group Art Unit 3727

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Sir:

FEE CALCULATION: An additional fee of \$80.00 is due for the entry of the Amendment. Upon entry of the below amendment, the total number claims will be 20 or less, and the number of independent claims will be increased to 5 independent claims. (2 times \$40.00 equals \$80.00.)

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In response to the Final Action mailed July 31, 2001, and in order to place this case in condition for immediate allowance or in better form for appeal, applicant hereby requests the entry of the following amendment to the application:

REPLACEMENT PARAGRAPH(S), SECTION(S) AND CLAIM(S):

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